

Amendments to the Specification:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please replace paragraph [0026], with the following rewritten paragraph:

As shown in Fig. 2, the pretensioner 9 in the illustrated example has a wire holder 11 attached to a bracket 10. The wire holder 11 is for holding and guiding a wire 12. Also, the wire holder 11 has one end of an axially expandable and collapsible rectangular tube-shaped inner cover 13 connected thereto, and the other end of the inner cover 13 is attached to a connector assembly 14 (equivalent to the connector portion of the present invention) to which the lap anchor 5 is inserted and thereby retained. Within the connector assembly 14, a wire plate 15 is attached to the opposite [[side]] end of the lap anchor 5 [[as]] with respect to a tongue insertion opening 14a [[side]] end by a wire clip 16, and a pulley 17 is rotably supported by a rivet 18 on this wire plate 15. The wire 11 passes over the pulley 17.

Please replace paragraph [0033], with the following rewritten paragraph:

One end of the wire 12 passes through the piston portion 24a and the rod 24b and is connected to the side of the rod 24b opposite the piston portion 24a. ~~other side of the piston portion 24a of the rod 24b.~~ The wire 12 passes from the piston 24 through the aforementioned wire through hole formed on the curved portion 20a of the pipe 20 in an airtight and slidable manner and extends externally from the cylinder 21 in the upper left diagonal direction, and further is bent by the collar 19 attached to the bracket 10 so that the direction thereof is changed in that of the connector assembly 14.

Please replace paragraph [0034], with the following rewritten paragraph:

The wire 12 extends in the direction of the connector assembly 14 passing through the inner cover 13 while being carried and guided by the wire holder 11. The wire [[112]] 12 hangs on the pulley 17 rotably supported within the connector assembly 14 as described

above, and then passes through the inner cover 13 again and is held and guided by the wire holder 11 and extends so as to return in the direction of the bracket 10.

Please replace paragraph [0037], with the following rewritten paragraph:

As shown in Fig. 2, reference numeral 45 denotes a bolt which passes through an attaching hole 10a of the bracket 10 and the inner hole of the collar 19, so as to attach the pretensioner [[21]] 9 to the vehicle body.

Please replace paragraph [0044], with the following rewritten paragraph:

The second connector base 38 is detachably fixed to the first connector base 37 by shoulder portions 38c and 38d on protrusions 38a and 38b on the left and right portions of the second connector base 38 each being fit into grooves 37a and 37b on the left and right of the first connector base 37, and a lower end portion 38e thereof being abutted against a lower end portion 37c of the first connector base 37, and connected with a screw ~~screws~~ (not shown). Note that the lower end portion 40a of the first latch spring 40 is also fastened together and fixed with the same screw as with the lower end portion 37c of the first connector base 37 and the lower end portion 38e of the second connector base 38.

Please replace paragraph [0048], with the following rewritten paragraph:

The upper end portion of the first latch spring 40 is bent to form a bent portion 40b, and as shown in Figs. 5(b) and (d). The first latch spring 40 is in contact with the latch 39 such that the bent portion 40b is positioned on the upper face of the latch 39. ~~lap anchor 5~~. The spring force of the first latch spring 40 constantly presses the latch 39 in the direction of engaging with the lap anchor 5 (toward the left in Figs. 5(a) through (d)).

Please replace paragraph [0060], with the following rewritten paragraph:

With the seatbelt device 1 configured according to the exemplary embodiment shown in the drawings, the retaining ~~portion~~ ~~portions~~ 5b of the lap anchor 5 ~~[[are]]~~ is inserted into the connector assembly 14 of the pretensioner 9, and the lap anchor 5 is engaged with the connector assembly 14 of the pretensioner 9, as shown in Fig. 1. Thus, the lap anchor 5 is fixed to the vehicle body through the pretensioner 9 (i.e., the tip of the seatbelt 3 is fixed to the vehicle body through the pretensioner 9).